

REMARKS

In the Final Office Action mailed November 1, 2007, claims 1-20, 50, 52-58, 91-116, 120-137 were pending. Claims 19, 53-56, 105, 120 and 130 were withdrawn as being directed to non-elected species. Claims 50, 52, 57-58, 106-116, 121-129 and 131-137 were allowed, and claims 5, 7-18, 20, 94 and 96-104 were objected to but indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form incorporating the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 1-4, 6, 91-93, and 95 stand rejected. The present amendment is presented to rewrite objected to claims in allowable form and place the application in condition for allowance.

Specifically, claim 1 has been amended to include claims 2 and 5, and claims 2 and 5 are cancelled. Claims 3 and 6 are amended to depend from claim 1 in view of the cancellation of claim 2.

Claims 7, 10 and 20 have been rewritten in independent form incorporating the version of claim 1 prior to the above amendment of claim 1.

Claim 91 has been amended to include claims 92-94 therein, and claims 92-94 have been cancelled. Claims 96 and 97 have been rewritten in independent form incorporating claim 91 therein in its version prior to the above amendment.

Withdrawn claim 19, 53-56, 105, 120 and 130 now depend from allowable base claims, and reinstatement of the withdrawn claims is respectfully requested.

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In view of the above, the present application including claims 1, 3-4, 6-20, 50, 52-58, 91, 95-116 and 120-137 is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is hereby requested. The Examiner is welcome to contact the undersigned to resolve any outstanding issues with regard to the present application.

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